



Call for papers and proposals The 8th Annual Meeting of the Environment for Development (EfD) Initiative

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The EfD initiative is committed to produce high quality research and active international research interaction. This is achieved by creating an environment where discussions can take place openly, where research results can be constructively criticized, and where feedback is generated. One important strategy that the initiative is using to achieve this is to promote research interactions through research meetings such as the annual meetings.

The EfD annual meeting is therefore a forum to bring together researchers from EfD centers and their collaborators and other key stakeholders for exchange of research ideas and discussion of research proposals and results from EfD research projects.

The eighth EfD annual meeting will be held in Dar es Salaam (meeting venue to be announced shortly) from October 23-26, 2014.

Paper submission

Finished papers and/or preliminary draft of a work-in-progress in all EfD research themes can be submitted by EfD Research Fellows and Research Associates electronically to EfD Research Coordinator Yonas Alem, (yonas.alem@economics.gu.se) on or before June 20, 2014. In the event of oversubscription, preference will be given to EfD-funded research papers. Papers sent after the deadline will not be considered because they have to undergo review by the EfD research coordinator before presentation at the annual meeting. Discussants will be assigned for papers accepted for presentation.

Proposal submission

2015 research proposals in all EfD research themes, including collaborative projects, can be submitted Fellows directly EfD EfD Senior Research to the research (yonas.alem@economics.gu.se) by **June 1, 2014**. Regrettably, proposals submitted after the deadline will not be accepted since they have to undergo peer-review before the annual meeting. Proposals will pass through a "blind review process" before presentation. The EfD research committee will select the most promising proposals for presentation and a discussant will be assigned during presentation at the annual meeting. Please note that the EfD research fund will be allocated to EfD fellows on a *competitive* basis. The EfD research committee will favor policy-relevant projects with high potential for publication in reputable peer-reviewed international journals. The proposals should preferably be developed in collaboration by EfD research associates, EfD resident researchers and

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young researchers (post-docs and graduate students). Their duration is expected to be one to three years and the budget between USD 30 000 and 80 000.

Submissions review process

All proposals will undergo a peer-review process. All EfD Researchers and Associates will be requested to serve as reviewers. Please submit your reviews on time to give authors sufficient time to improve their submissions before the annual meeting. All reviews must be submitted to the EfD research coordinator (yonas.alem@economics.gu.se) on June 30, 2014 at the latest.

The EfD Research Committee will consider reviewers' reports, centers' research priorities, EfD collaborative research priorities and decide which submissions to accept.

Paper acceptance notification

All authors will be notified of the acceptance (or otherwise) of their submission by August 15, 2014. All accepted papers, proposals and the program will be uploaded on the website dedicated for this meeting by October 5, 2014. Note that participation in the meeting is conditional on paper/proposal acceptance.

Accommodation and travel costs

Starting from this year, the EfD Organizing Committee will pay for travel and accommodation for those EfD Senior Research Fellows presenting accepted proposals and EfD papers funded in 2012 or 2013. All EfD Research Fellows and Research Associates are of course invited to participate, although unfortunately they will have to find other sources of funding.

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